

The Federal Interagency Sharing Neutrals Program
Brown Bag Series
Tuesday, September 16, 2008

12:00pm-1:30pm
Securities and Exchange Commission, Room 4000

"When Race is the Issue"

Have you ever mediated a case in which you began to wonder whether race might be an issue? What should you do if the parties raise the issue of race? Should you raise the topic of race if the parties don't? Do you feel confident facilitating a conversation about race - in either the joint session or caucus? What can you do if emotions erupt when discussing race? This interactive session will enhance your awareness and ability to intervene when you or the parties perceive race may be at the heart of the conflict.

Presenter: [Wallace Warfield](#), Associate Professor of Conflict Resolution at the Institute of Conflict Analysis and Resolution (ICAR), George Mason University.

Please RSVP by September 12th, 2008 to: snbrownbag@sec.gov

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Speaker Bio

Wallace Warfield is an Associate Professor at the Institute of Conflict Analysis and Resolution, George Mason University in Arlington. In this capacity, Dr. Warfield teaches laboratory-simulation and practicum courses, as well as theory courses. As a consultant, Dr. Warfield has worked in community, inter-ethnic, and organizational conflict in the U.S. and other countries. He has also authored a number of publications in the field of conflict analysis and resolution.

Prior to his affiliation with ICAR, Dr. Warfield served as a Distinguished Visiting Fellow at the Administrative Conference of the United States (ACUS). At ACUS, he was responsible for helping Federal agencies build alternative dispute resolution processes into their administrative systems, developing and implementing training for government contracting offices, boards of contract appeal judges, administrative law judges and others in the Federal sector.